Minutes of a Meeting of Ilketshall St Andrew and St John Land Management Company Ltd. Via Zoom on 12th April 2021 at 7 p.m.

Present: Tim Basey-Fisher (T B-F) (Chairman)

John Bedwell (JB) (Secretary)

Rod Apps (RA) Gerald Godfrey (GG) Roo Lee (RL) Chris Roberts (CR)

1. Welcome and Apologies

1.1 The Chairman welcomed everybody.

2. Minutes of the Meeting of 11th January 2021

2.1 The minutes of the meeting of 11th January 2021 were agreed and were signed by the Chairman.

3. Matter Arising not elsewhere covered in the Agenda

3.1 Item 11.1, no meeting was held on 22nd February. It was not required as all issues regarding the DMP were resolved prior to that date.

4. Finance

- 4.1 The current financial position showed total funds of £69449.29. Since the last Board meeting there had been no receipts. There had been payments to T B-F for costs of harrowing, thistle spraying and work outside Rose Cottage (£3813), L.E. & R.N. Andrews & Sons for cutting paths, flailing etc, (£1941), Lovewell Blake for preparation of accounts (£618), LMC Insurance (£284), CR for gateway materials (£363) and JB for bird seed (£198).
- 4.2 Cheques were to be signed outside the meeting for:
 - a) Tiagrace, website maintenance (£150)
 - b) SWT, annual subscription and donation (£200)
 - c) Adrian Sampson, cutting paths (£70)
- 4.3 T B-F will complete the annual BPS and HLS returns in the next couple of weeks.
- 4.4 There were concerns about future funding of the Company. T B-F will ask Tim Schofield to meet with the Board via Zoom to discuss the latest developments regarding ELMS. It was seen desirable to forge links with organisations promoting common land such as the Foundation for Commons.
- 4.5 It was agreed to put on deposit a further £15,000 from the current account with Hampshire Trust Bank.

5. Implementation of the Management Plan (MP)

- 5.1 RA will draft a letter to go to those properties adjacent to the commons asking for confirmation of their boundaries, properties in Took's Common Lane will be approached first
- 5.2 Overwintering areas are to be cut, rowed and baled in a week or so's time providing the ground conditions are suitable.
- 5.3 Gapping up has not been possible because of Covid-19 restrictions but will be attempted in the autumn. Carol Bromley will be kept informed of progress.

6. LMC Website and LMC Promotion

- 6.1 The website needs to be updated with some missing minutes.
- 6.2 The text of 'Works Completed' is now linked with relevant photographs to illustrate the work carried out.
- 6.3 RL reported that the website had been accessed by 42 people in the last month in 55 sessions, most accesses being direct to the website.

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7. Review of Work Programme

- 7.1 Simon Topham had widened the pathway on Great Common by English Cottage.
- 7.2 The recent lockdown had created a backlog of work which will be tackled in the coming months. This included repairing vehicular gateways, pedestrian accesses and providing another bench on Great Common.

8. Summer Programme

- 8.1 T B-F reported that his bird seed strips had been flailed prior to spraying off and re-seeding. The Turtledove strip on the South side of Great Common will be left but that on the West side will be re-sown. GG said that his strip had been flailed and will be drilled once the weather is warmer. Stent's strip alongside Little Common had been left to grow wild and provided a valuable habitat.
- 8.2 Haymaking will proceed in a similar fashion to last year, GG will liaise with Brian Andrews and June Hall. The rate of compensation payment will remain the same as previous years.
- 8.3 JB will survey Great Common once growth commences and produce a map of those areas badly affected by thistles.

9. Reserved Business

9.1 There were several items of reserved business.

10. Any Other Business

10.1 There was some discussion of SCC's 'Quiet Lanes' proposals for the village. It was agreed that this was a Parish Council matter and individuals could make their opinions known to the PC at their meeting on 19th April.

11. Date of the Next Meeting

11.1 The date of the next Board meeting will be on Monday 12th July 2021 at 7pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.38 hours.

J Bedwell 18th April 2021

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Date 11/07/2021